## Fiscal Estimate - 2011 Session

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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

This bill prohibits sex offenders required to be registered on Wisconsin's Sex Offender Registry from being in any school building, on school grounds, school recreation areas or athletic fields without first notifying certain school officials of the specific date, time and place of the visit. The bill provides exceptions for voting, non-school sponsored events or activities, or if the offender has a child enrolled in the school, if the offender notifies the school at the beginning of each school year. This bill also requires the Department to notify sex offender registrants of the new requirements.

The Department would incur minimal costs for an additional mailing to current sex offender registrants (22,012 adult and juvenile offenders in September 2011) at the time of bill passage. These costs could be absorbed using the agency's base funding.

The bill also creates a Class A misdemeanor for a first time violation and a Class H felony for second and subsequent violations. The Department is unable to determine how many sex offenders will be convicted for disregarding the notification process. A Class A misdemeanor includes a maximum of 9 months in a county jail; a Class H felony includes a maximum of 3 years confinement in prison and 3 years extended supervision.

The average FY10 annual cost for an inmate in a DOC institution is approximately \$32,100. However, when there is excess capacity in DOC facilities, the incremental costs (i.e. food, health care and clothing) of housing a small number of inmates is approximately \$5,100, based on FY10 costs. Should the Department use contract beds, the rate would be approximately \$18,800 annually per person. The average FY10 annual cost for an offender on extended supervision was \$2,800.

Jail costs may also increase if offenders are placed in jail rather than prison.

School Districts may also have additional administrative costs.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**